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SA for Minerals: the next stages...

Issues and Options Part 2

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Consultation Comments from Scoping... on SEA Objectives

As a premise – we incorporated comments.

- Where possible (relevant comments) tried to capture all of the comments and incorporate them into the SA/SEA Objectives
- Benefits of this approach

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Green (G)

- Option actively encouraged in its current form as it would resolve an existing issue / maximise opportunities

Blue (B)?

- Option would have a neutral or an uncertain (marked with a ?) effect

Orange (O)

- Option would need some changes in order to have a positive effect on issues identified

Red (R)

- The option would exacerbate existing problems and cannot be suitably mitigated. Consider exclusion of option

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Initial Issues and Options Development

- **Appraisal not in depth at this stage.**
- **“Procedural” Options cannot be appraised!**
- **It is important to have significant dialogue between plan makers and Issues and options assessors at an early stage**
- **Improvements can be made to the options**

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Preferred Issues and Options Appraisal

- **Appraisal now in undertaken in depth...**
- **Stakeholders need clear alternative options**
- **Appraisal of very similar options very difficult**
- **Care must be taken with rolling forward existing options**

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Preferred Issues and Options Appraisal

- **What evidence and references are available to support the option.**
- **Is the preferred option just “fine words” or is it or will it be backed up with relevant policy, stakeholder engagement, procedures and practical actions?**